REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

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Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The publication 10_yo_forced_sex#13.mpg is classified as: Objectionable.

The file promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. It contains a clip that explicitly shows sexual activity between a man and a young girl, and a woman and a young girl. The clip is intended for the sexual titillation and arousal of adult viewers. It encourages adults to see children as sexually desirable and available for sexual gratification. The effect is to validate a sexual interest in children and encourage their sexual exploitation.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression as set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's clear intention in s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The classification is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.